# ANCHOR BCI BOND FUND

# A CLASS | October 2023

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#### INVESTMENT OBJECTIVE

The **Anchor BCI Bond Fund** seeks to achieve an investment medium for investors, with its main objective being the maximum total return by primarily investing in bonds.

#### INVESTMENT PHILOSOPHY

The investments normally to be included in the portfolio will comprise a combination of assets in liquid form and a combination of gilts and interest-bearing securities, including loan stock, semi-gilts, notes, debentures, debenture bonds, preference shares, money-market instruments, bonds, corporate debt, convertible equities and non-equity securities. The portfolio may, from time to time, invest in listed and unlisted financial instruments. The manager may also include forward currency, interest rate and exchange-rate swap transactions for efficient portfolio management purposes.

#### MONTHLY RETURNS (%)

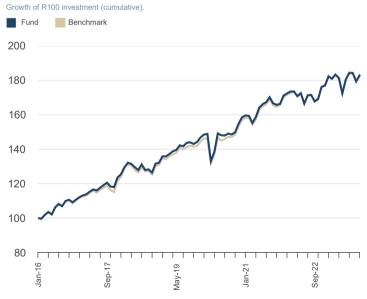
YEAR	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEP	ОСТ	NOV	DEC	YTD
2023	3.0	-0.7	1.3	-1.1	-5.0	4.7	2.1	0.0	-2.7	2.0			3.3
2022	0.7	0.7	0.0	-1.6	1.0	-3.5	2.9	0.1	-2.2	0.8	4.2	0.4	3.4
2021	0.7	-0.2	-2.6	2.2	3.5	1.2	0.7	1.7	-2.1	-0.5	0.3	2.9	7.9
2020	1.1	0.3	-10.7	4.1	7.7	-0.7	-0.1	0.8	-0.3	0.8	3.4	2.4	8.0
2019	2.8	0.0	1.0	1.1	0.6	1.9	-0.4	1.4	0.2	-0.7	0.8	1.8	11.1
2018	1.5	3.2	2.1	-0.5	-1.4	-1.3	2.6	-2.4	0.3	-1.5	4.1	0.4	7.0
2017	1.3	1.0	0.6	1.4	1.1	-0.5	1.4	1.3	1.1	-1.9	-0.3	4.7	11.6
2016		-0.3	2.1	1.6	-1.3	4.0	1.8	-1.1	2.8	0.6	-1.3	1.4	10.7

#### **FUND INFORMATION** LOW MOD MOD-HIGH HIGH Risk profile: Inception Date 08 Feb 2016 Benchmark JSE All Bond Index (ALBI) **Fund Classification** SA Interest Bearing Variable Term Quarterly Declaration Date: Distributions 31 Mar/30 Jun/30 Sep/31 Dec Fees (Incl. VAT): Annual Management Fee 0.63% Total Expense Ratio (TER) Jun 23: 0.65% (PY): 0.65% Portfolio Value R2853.32 mn Unit Price 94.17 cpu

#### **RISK PROFILE: LOW-MODERATE**

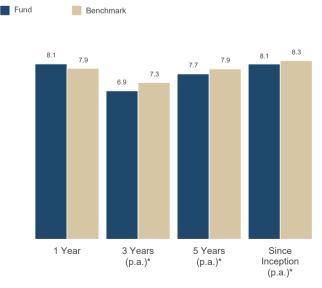
- This portfolio has relatively low equity exposure, resulting in relatively low volatility compared to higher risk portfolios.
- Where the asset allocation contained in this MDD reflects offshore exposure, the portfolio is exposed to currency risks.
- The portfolio is exposed to default and interest rate risks.
- The portfolio is suitable for medium-term investment horizons.
- The expected potential long term investment returns are lower over the medium to long term than higher risk portfolios.

## FUND PERFORMANCE SINCE INCEPTION



Investment performance is for illustrative purposes only and calculated by taking actual initial fees and ongoing fees into account for the amount shown with income reinvested on reinvestment date.

### FUND PERFORMANCE AT 31 OCT 2023 (%)



\*Annualised return is the weighted average compound growth rate over the period measured

#### ASSET & SECTOR ALLOCATION AT 31 OCT 2023 (%)



Nominal Bonds - 97.5 Floating Rate Bonds - Cash - 0.2

#### **FUND MANAGER**



Nolan Wapenaar

#### **INFORMATION & DISCLOSURES**

ISIN Number ZAF000212874

2021 (CPU) Dec 2.23 | 2022 (CPU) Mar 2.17; Jun 2.25; Sep Distributions

2.24; Dec 2.24 | 2023 (CPU) Mar 2.27; Jun 2.30; Sep 2.25

#### INVESTMENT MANAGER

Anchor Capital (Pty) Ltd is an authorised Financial Services Provider FSP 39834.

- Additional information, including application forms, annual or quarterly reports can be obtained from BCI, free of charge or can be accessed on our website (www.bcis.co.za)
- Valuation takes place daily and prices can be viewed on our website (www.bcis.co.za) or in the daily newspaper.
- Actual annual percentage figures are available to existing investors on request.
- Upon request the Manager will provide the investor with quarterly portfolio investment holdings reports.

#### **SUBSCRIPTIONS**

Valuation time 15h00 Transaction cut-off time 14h00

Payment reference Initials and Surname

Minimum investment amount

Please send proof of deposit to fax (011) 263 6152 or

e-mail instructions@bci-transact.co.za

\*Fixed Administration Fee: R15 excluding VAT which will apply to all direct investor accounts with balances of less than R100 000 at month end, unless an investor transacts online, in which case no such fee will be levied.

# MANAGEMENT COMPANY INFORMATION

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# FUND MANAGER COMMENTARY AT 31 OCT 2023

TOP TEN HOLDINGS AT 31 OCT 2023 (%)

Republic Of South Africa - 2037 Bond

Republic Of South Africa - 2035 Bond

Republic Of South Africa - 2040 Bond

Republic Of South Africa - 2032 Bond

Republic Of South Africa - 2030 Bond

Republic Of South Africa - 2044 Bond

Republic Of South Africa - 2031 Bond

Republic Of South Africa - 2036 Bond

Republic of South Africa - 2048 Bond

Standard Bank of South Africa Limited - 2028 Bond

After 18 months of aggressively raising interest rates to combat inflation, the US economy is again showing signs of acceleration. This has tightened financial conditions aggressively over recent months. The squeeze is driven by a combination of factors, including better-than-expected US economic data, a deteriorating US fiscal outlook, and the US Federal Reserve's (Fed) indication that it will likely maintain higher interest rates for an extended period. One of the notable developments is the rise in US bond yields, which have now reached levels not seen since 2006-2007. The increase in yields has been more pronounced for longer-dated bonds. Since 30 June 2023, 2-year, 10-year, and 30-year US bond yields have surged by 19 bps, 107 bps, and 120 bps, respectively. As a result, the US yield curve, which had been inverted since July 2022, is now disinverting, with the 2v10 spread narrowing from -106 bps to -18 bps during the same period. This trend is not limited only to the US, as other advanced economies are also experiencing tightening financing conditions coupled with a slowdown in economic growth. Meanwhile, China is actively implementing measures to stimulate its economy, and the Bank of Japan (BOJ) has made adjustments to its yield curve control policy by allowing the Japanese 10-year bond yield to drift above 1%, redefining this threshold as a loose reference point rather than a rigid interest rate cap. Looking domestically, headline inflation has accelerated once again, reaching 5.4% YOY in September, up from 4.8% YoY in August. Notably, core inflation, excluding the volatile food and fuel categories, moderated to 4.5% YoY from 4.8% YoY in August, a downward movement that exceeded market expectations. The derivatives market continues to price in at least one more interest rate hike, albeit with a reduced probability compared to September. On the fiscal front, domestically, a sizeable revenue shortfall is expected, which will worsen fiscal deficits and debt metrics. Renewed inflation risks, a considerable revenue shortfall, and higher US yields have kept SA bond yields elevated, in particular long-dated bonds. Elevated US yields, extensive loadshedding, and increased social and political tensions have contributed to curve steepening and rand depreciation. The fund is strategically managed to secure an attractive return by investing primarily in a range of fixed-rate government and corporate bonds.

#### **FEE DETAILS**

	Class A
Initial fees (BCI) (incl. VAT)	0%
Annual Management Fee (incl VAT)	
Class A	0.63%
Performance Fee	None
TER and Transaction Cost (incl VAT)	
Basic	Jun 23: 0.65% (PY): 0.65%
Portfolio Transaction Cost	Jun 23: 0.00% (PY): 0.00%
Total Investment Charge	Jun 23: 0.65% (PY): 0.65%

A higher TER ratio does not necessarily imply a poor return, nor does a low TER imply a good return. The current TER cannot be regarded as an indication of future TER's. Transaction Costs are a necessary cost in administering the Fund and impacts Fund returns. The TIC should not be considered in isolation as returns may be impacted by many other factors over me including market returns, the type of Fund, the investment decisions of the investment manager and the TER. The TER and Transaction cost calculations are based upon the portfolio's direct costs for the financial year ended 30 June 2023, whilst the underlying portfolios ratio and cost calculations are based upon their most recent published figures, being 30 June 2023

# **CUSTODIAN / TRUSTEE INFORMATION**

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19.5

13.3

11.7

11.0

7.9

72

7.0

5.3

1.7

1.5